

REMARKS

Claims 9-11 were objected to because of informalities. The changes suggested by the Examiner have been made. An additional informality has been addressed in claim 11, changing the recitation “low current density” to “low electrical current density.”

The Examiner also rejected the claims under Section 112 because of an informality in the recitation of the preamble of claim 1. Applicants have corrected the informality per the suggestion of the Examiner. Applicants submit that an objection would have been more appropriate in this case, as the change was to correct an informality and the claim would have been understood by artisans as it was understood by the Examiner. The Examiner immediately recognized the missing word that created the informality, further supporting the idea that the claim was not misunderstood but only included an informality. Applicants have made the amendment to expedite prosecution and to correct an informality.

Claim 13 has been cancelled to permit the allowed method claims to issue quickly and expedite prosecution. This is not a concession of the rejection under Section 102 based upon the Clark, Jr., U.S. Patent No. 5,690,807. Applicants will address this rejection in a continuation application to be filed prior to the issuance of a patent on the instant method claims. Clark includes no disclosure of a family of uniform and discretely sized particles as specified in the instant claims.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant believes that this case is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner should call Applicant's attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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